

PROPOSED LEAKING UST (LUST) CASE CLOSURE

The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) is considering closure of the following leaking underground storage tank (LUST) case:

LUST File No. 1547.01
Facility ID No. 0-006798
La Paz County

Former Shell Station
Hwy 60 between 1st and 2nd Streets
Wenden, Arizona 85357

The Arizona Revised Statutes §49-1005(E) and Arizona Administrative Code [A.A.C.] R18-12-263.04 allow case closure of LUST sites with groundwater contamination above the Arizona Aquifer Water Quality Standards (AWQS) after eligibility requirements are met. For the above-referenced LUST site, ADEQ has considered the following criteria:

1. The UST release has been adequately investigated.
2. The source or contamination that affected groundwater quality has been removed.
3. The soil meets the applicable soil remediation levels.
4. There are no drinking water wells that are threatened or impacted by the UST release.
5. The groundwater plume is not expanding.
6. The groundwater contamination is naturally attenuating.
7. The requirements of Arizona Revised Statutes §49-1005(D) and (E) have been met.

The plume of release-related compounds was reduced by Soil Vapor Extraction and Natural Attenuation until only monitor well MW-1 had concentrations of benzene exceeding the AWQS.

Monitor Well	Compound exceeding the AWQS	Highest Concentration (ug/L)	Date	Current Concentration (ug/L)	Date	AWQS (ug/L)
MW-1	Benzene	3,800	10/22/97	9.3	06/26/07	5

ug/L = micrograms per liter

Site-specific information concerning this closure is available for review during normal business hours at the ADEQ Records and Library Review Area, 1110 W. Washington Street, Suite 140, Phoenix, AZ 85007. ADEQ welcomes comments on the proposed LUST case closure. Please call the UST File Room at 602-771-4344 to schedule an appointment. A 30-day public comment period is in effect commencing November 7, 2008 and ending December 7, 2008. Comments should be submitted in writing to the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, Attention: Nurul Huq, 1110 W. Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ 85007.

If sufficient public interest is demonstrated during the public comment period, ADEQ will announce and hold a public meeting. ADEQ will respond to comments in writing following the public comment period. For more information on this notice, please contact Nurul Huq at (602) 771-4318 or (800) 234-5677, ext. 771-4318, or at Huq.Nurul@azdeq.gov.

Copies of the cited statutes and rules can be found respectively at:

<http://www.azleg.gov/FormatDocument.asp?inDoc=/ars/49/01/01005.htm&Title=49&DocType=ARS>, and http://www.azsos.gov/public_services/Title_18/18-12.htm.